



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED AÑO NUEVO STATE PARK GENERAL PLAN PROJECT

Date: March 28, 2008

To: All Interested Agencies, Organizations, and Persons

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has directed the preparation of and intends to adopt an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed project, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines. DPR is the lead agency for the proposed project under CEQA.

PROJECT LOCATION: Año Nuevo State Park and Año Nuevo State Natural Reserve, San Mateo County

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT: The California Department of Parks and Recreation has prepared a General Plan for Año Nuevo State Park. The General Plan proposes to merge Año Nuevo State Park and Año Nuevo State Natural Reserve into one single state park unit named Año Nuevo State Park. The General Plan contains a comprehensive set of parkwide and area-specific goals and guidelines for the long-term direction of the park that will guide future management and development. Six park management zones are identified in the plan, providing detailed direction tailored to the particular resource characteristics and visitor use in each zone. Park improvements are identified in the General Plan's goals and guidelines that will provide high-quality park experiences for visitors while enhancing and preserving features that make Año Nuevo State park a unique destination.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Preliminary General Plan/Draft EIR is being circulated for public review and comment for a period of 45 days, beginning March 28, 2008. Your views and comments on this project are welcomed and must be in writing. Comments may be submitted by mail, fax, or email. All comments should be submitted with a contact name and mailing address for the public record postmarked no later than **May 12, 2008**. Please send comments to the following address:

Department of Parks and Recreation
Planning Division, General Plan Section
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001
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This project will be considered before the State Park and Recreation Commission in a public hearing to be held at a local venue after the public comments, Department

responses, and a Final EIR has been prepared. Notice of the hearing will be mailed to all agencies, organizations, and individuals that have expressed interest.

Copies of the Preliminary General Plan/Draft EIR may be reviewed online at http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=24617 or http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=982 and at the following locations during normal business hours:

California Department of Parks & Recreation:

Santa Cruz District Office
303 Big Trees Park Rd.
Felton, CA 95018-9660

Año Nuevo State Natural Reserve, Park Office
New Years Creek Road
Pescadero, CA 94060

San Mateo Coast Sector Office
95 Kelly Avenue
Half Moon Bay, CA 94019-1627

Planning Division
1416 9th Street, Room 108
Sacramento, CA 95814

San Mateo County Libraries:

Half Moon Bay Library
620 Correas Street
Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

Pacifica-Sharp Library
104 Hilton Way
Pacifica, CA 94044

Portola Valley Library
4575 Alpine Rd.
Portola Valley, CA 94028

Woodside Library
3140 Woodside Rd.
Woodside, CA 94062

Santa Cruz County Libraries:

Central Branch
224 Church Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Boulder Creek Branch
13390 West Park
Boulder Creek, CA 95006

Scott's Valley Branch
King's Valley Shopping Center
230-D Mt. Herman Road
Scott's Valley, CA 95066

Felton Branch
6299 Gushee
Felton, CA 95018

Santa Clara County Libraries:

Cupertino Library
10800 Torre Ave.
Cupertino, CA 95014

Saratoga Library
13650 Saratoga Ave.
Saratoga, CA 95070

Los Altos Library
13 South San Antonio Rd.
Los Altos, CA 94022